

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING  
Tuesday, January 11, 2011**

**Present:** Commissioner President Francis Jack Russell  
Commissioner Cynthia L. Jones  
Commissioner Daniel L. Morris  
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan  
John Savich, County Administrator  
Sharon Ferris (Recorder)

**Absent:** Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commissioner President Russell called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to adopt the minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, January 4, 2011, as presented. Motion carried 4-0.**

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

1. Draft Agendas for January 18, 2011 and January 25, 2011.
2. **Orphans' Court** (*Linda R. Dean, Chief Judge; Dalton Wood, Jr. and Charles J. Mattingly III, Associate Judges*)

**Commissioner Morris moved, seconded by Commissioner Jones, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the Budget Amendment transferring funds in the amount of \$5,000 from the BOCC Emergency Reserve to the Orphan's Court Non-Capital Equipment account for the purpose of a new Court Recording System in accordance with normal procurement protocol. Motion carried 4-0.**

3. **Sheriff's Office** (*Brian Eley Civilian Administrator; Erin Shoemaker, Fiscal Manager*)

**Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the Budget Amendment in the amount of \$22,848 to retain the Crime Analyst position until 6/30/11. Motion carried 4-0.**

**Commissioner Jones moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to approve and authorize Commissioner President to execute Form One of the Police Protection FY10 Actual Expenditures Form – MD1130 to be submitted to the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention on behalf of the Sheriff’s Office. Motion carried 4-0.**

**4. Department of Human Resources** (*Sue Sabo, Director; Kathy Arnold, Risk Analyst*)

**Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the attached budget amendment authorizing additional funds for the LGIT Training grant award, project OT1107, in the amount of \$961. Motion carried 4-0.**

**5. Department of Public Works and Transportation** (*George Erichsen, Director*)

**Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the following:**

- **Public Works Agreement for Multiflora Estates Subdivision, Phase 1, located in the 5<sup>th</sup> Election District, with an Expiration Date of September 1, 2011;**
- **Public Works Agreement Addendum guaranteeing construction of the roads in Ben Oaks Subdivision, Phases 1, 2, 3 & 4, located in the 5<sup>th</sup> Election District, with an Expiration Date of November 1, 2011, and**
- **Public Works Agreement Addendum guaranteeing construction of the road in the McIntosh Subdivision, Section 1, located in the 6<sup>th</sup> Election District, with an Expiration Date of June 1, 2011. Motion carried 3-0** (*Commissioner Morgan was not in the room when actual vote was taken*).

*Commissioner Russell suggested designating staff authority to approve routine Public Works Agreements and Agreement Addenda. Mr. Savich recommended, prior to making the decision, a written proposal should be prepared. Mr. Erichsen noted an exception should be, if the dollar amounts change, appearance before the Board is required.*

**6. Board/Committee Appointments**

**Commissioner Morgan moved, seconded by Commissioner Jones to appoint the following persons to Boards, Committees, or Commissions with the terms to expire as indicated. Motion carried 4-0.**

**Airport Advisory Committee**

James Davis (Reappointment)	12/31/2013
Michael Willis (Reappointment)	12/31/2013

**Commission for People with Disabilities**

Jolanda Campbell (Reappointment)	12/31/2014
William Nicholas (Reappointment)	12/31/2014
Marie Robinson (Reappointment)	12/31/2014
Rocco Aiello (Reappointment)	12/31/2014
Sheral St.Clair (Reappointment)	12/31/2014
Kelly Reynolds (Pathways Representative)	12/31/2014
Annette Green (ARC Representative)	12/31/2014
MaryAnn Coontz (Transportation Representative)	12/31/2012 *Partial

**Commission on the Environment**

Larry Hartwick (Reappointment)	12/31/2014
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**Community Health Advisory Committee**

Georgette Gaskin (Reappointment)	12/31/2013
Gurpreet Gill	12/31/2013
Joan Gelrud (St.Mary's Hospital-Organizational Rep)	12/31/2013

**Electrical Examiners Board**

Donald Haskin (Reappointment)	12/31/2013
Rudolph Worch (Reappointment)	12/31/2013
James Daniel Johnson, Jr.	12/31/2013
James Bacot	12/31/2013

**Family Violence Coordinating Council**

Rona Harding (Religious Leader Rep)	12/31/2013
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**DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE & GROWTH MANAGEMENT**

Present: Derick Berlage, Director  
Dave Chapman, Capital Facilities Planner

Mr. Chapman explained the process to amend the Comprehensive Water and Sewerage Plan (CWSP) and the requirement for public hearings prior to any amendments. A request for water and sewer on the "Thompson Property," which is located adjacent to the Wildewood PUD, was presented.

**Commissioner Jones moved, seconded by Commissioner Morris, to direct staff to schedule a public hearing for Tuesday, February 1, 2011 for the purpose of considering amendments to the Comprehensive Water and Sewerage Plan for the Thompson Property, case CWSP 10-200-002. Motion carried 4-0.**

**SUMMARY OF MAJOR LAND USE ISSUES EXPECTED TO COME BEFORE THE BOCC IN 2011 AND 2012 AND SUGGESTED TIMETABLE FOR REVIEW**

Present: Derick Berlage, Director, Dept. of Land Use and Growth Management  
Phil Shire, Deputy Director, Dept. of Land Use and Growth Management

Mr. Berlage provided a broad overview of anticipated major land use issues the Board will be asked to review during 2011 and 2012. 2011 issues include changes to the County water and sewer plan, new state requirements on water quality, state-mandated changes to the County's Critical Area Ordinance, and review of recommendations from citizen task forces that were created to address issues of significant public concern. Revisions to the Lexington Park Development District Master Plan and adoption of a land use master plan for the Charlotte Hall Town Center will be considered in 2012.

*Commissioner Jones requested periodic updates on the Lexington Park Plan and Charlotte Hall Plan.*

**PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AMENDING CHAPTER 267 OF THE ST. MARY'S COUNTY CODE TO EXTEND THE PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR CERTAIN FIRE PROTECTION RESIDENTIAL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS**

Present: George Sparling, County Attorney

Commissioner Russell opened the hearing at 11:31 am.

Mr. Sparling entered into the record that the notice of the hearing was published in *The Enterprise* newspaper on December 31, 2010, and January 7, 2011. In August 2008, Commissioners adopted an Ordinance to provide for a one-time credit against the St. Mary's County property tax for voluntary installation of a residential fire sprinkler system not required by law. The credit allows \$1,500 for installation in new construction and \$2,000 credit for a retrofit. It is now at the Commissioners discretion whether to extend this Ordinance which is due to expire on February 1, 2011. Over the last two fiscal years, there have been no disbursement requests for this tax credit. It was suggested that if the Commissioners wish to extend this Ordinance, more advertisement of the program would be appropriate.

There were no public comments.

Commissioner Russell closed the hearing at 11:41 am and announced that the Board of County Commissioners will receive public comments on this matter for an additional ten days.

**COMMISSIONER'S TIME**

The Commissioners highlighted events attended over the past week and personal items of interest.

*Commissioner Morris attended the Golden Beach Civic Association meeting concerning the proposed Park & Ride in their community. Suggestions were made at the meeting that since 80% of the traffic is coming from the south, Rt. 5 & 6 might be the better location, and that the number of vehicles should be reduced from 500 to 250. Noting that sprinkler systems is an important issue to all, he suggested trying to recruit graduating engineers from the University of Maryland to relocate to St. Mary's County so that we would have local sources for installation.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of the Board of County Commissioners adjourned at approximately 11:47 am.

Minutes Approved by the Board of County Commissioners on \_\_\_\_\_

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Sharon Ferris, Senior Administrative Coordinator (Recorder)